WIDE AREA SERVICES PROVIDED MAINLY FOR DATA

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PUBLICLY AVAILABLE SERVICES

- Leased Lines ("private circuits")
 - hired 24 hours/day analogue and digital
- High Speed Short Haul Services
- ISDN Integrated Services Digital Network
 - fully digitally dial-up network
- DSL Digital Subscriber Line
 - (ADSL etc)
- http://www.bt.com/pricing/homepage.htm

GENERAL ADVANTAGES OVER THE PSTN

- Designed to carry a larger range of frequencies
- Lines can be tuned for better signal to noise ratios
- Might use more than one pair of wires or might use fibre
- Very different tariff principles

LEASED LINES ("PRIVATE CIRCUITS")

- major feature leased, 24 hours/day, every day - fixed annual charge not based on usage
- Analogue and Digital Services are available
- Single exchange area and long distance services are available
- BUT Some of these not available for new supply after October 2016

EXAMPLE PSTN COSTS FOR COMPARISON [IGNORES COMPLEX "PACKAGES"]

- Residential
 - Local daytime Calls About 3.4p/minute
 - National daytime Calls About 6.7p/minute
- Business
 - about 20.0p/minute for local and national
- Phone Line Installation (business)
 - About 130 pounds
 - About 250 pounds rental per annum

note: all figures are approximate and ignore VAT and special deals etc.

EXAMPLE COSTS OF ANALOGUE LEASED LINES

- Aberystwyth <-> Aberystwyth
- Installation
 - about 1400 pounds
- Annual Rental
 - about 1200 pounds
- equiv only 220 hours PSTN (year 1)
- equiv only 100 hours PSTN (year 2)

EXAMPLE COSTS

- Aberystwyth <-> Borth (10 Km)
- Installation
 - about 2100 pounds
- Annual Rental
 - about 3570 pounds
- equiv only 470 hours PSTN (year 1)
- equiv only 300 hours PSTN (year 2)

EXAMPLE COSTS

- Aberystwyth <-> Birmingham (175 Km)
- Installation
 - about 2100 pounds
- Annual Rental
 - about 6790 pounds
- equiv only 740 hours PSTN (yr 1)
- equiv only 565 hours PSTN (yr 2)

DIGITAL LEASED LINES FROM BT

- KiloStream
 - low speed (2.4,4.8 & 9.6 Kbps)
 - high speed (19.2, 48 & 64 Kbps)
 - N (128Kbps -> 1024Kbps)
- MegaStream
 - 2Mbps, 8Mbps, 34Mbps, 45Mbps, 140Mbps, 155Mbps and faster

EXAMPLE COSTS - KILOSTREAM

- Aberystwyth <-> Birmingham (175 Km)
- Installation
 - about 1000 pounds
- Rental
 - about 8000 pounds
- equiv about 670 hours PSTN usage
- BUT then have a full duplex 64Kbps service
- [This would of course have been viewed as 'very fast' just a few years ago.]

EXAMPLE COSTS - MEGASTREAM

- Aberystwyth <-> Birmingham (175Km)
- Installation (155 Mbps)
 - about 32,000 pounds
- Rental
 - about 550,000 pounds per annum

SHORT HAUL SERVICES

- LAN/Ethernet Extension Services (LES/EES)
 - a variety of services to join a fairly large range of LAN types/speeds, most now withdrawn
 - Still Available
 - GEES 10000 (10Gbit/sec)
- SHDS Connect
 - SHDS Connect is the name for a range of short distance (less than 45km) point to point communication products that carry Ethernet protocols between customer sites.
 - Available nationally within the UK to all customers requiring interconnection of 10, 100 and 1000Mbit/s Ethernet LANs

EXAMPLE COSTS SHDS CONNECT 1GB 1 GBIT/SEC

- Aberystwyth <-> Aberystwyth
- Installation 2450*2 = 4900 pounds
- Rental
 - 4375*2 + 0.57 per metre = 9320 pounds
- charges assume locations 1Km apart

EXAMPLE COSTS (GEES 10000) (10 GBIT/SEC)

- Aberystwyth <-> Aberystwyth
- Installation 9240*2 = 18480 pounds
- Rental
 - 17620*2 + 0.62 per metre = 35860 pounds
- charges assume locations 1Km apart